fluid consumption by a duly constituted regulatory agency and whose milk is:

- (1) Received at a pool plant or by a handler described in §1138.9(c); or
- (2) Diverted pursuant to §1138.13 by a handler for such handler's account.
- (b) *Producer* shall not include: (1) A producer-handler as defined in any order (including this part) issued pursuant to the Act;
- (2) A governmental agency that operates a plant exempt pursuant to §1138.8(e) and a handler that operates an exempt plant pursuant to §1138.8(f);
- (3) Any person with respect to milk production that is diverted to a pool plant from an other order plant if the other order designates such person as a producer under that order and such milk is allocated to Class II or Class III utilization pursuant to §1138.44(a)(8)(iii) and the corresponding step of §1138.44(b); or
- (4) Any person with respect to milk production that is reported as diverted to an other order plant if any portion of such person's milk so moved is assigned to Class I under the provisions of such other order.

§1138.13 Producer milk.

Producer milk means the skim milk and butterfat in milk from a producer that is:

- (a) Received by the operator of a pool plant directly from such producer. Any milk picked up from the producer's farm tank in a tank truck owned and operated by, or under the control of, the operator of a pool plant but which is not received at a plant until the following month, shall be considered as having been received by the handler during the month in which it is picked up at the producer's farm and shall be priced at the location of the plant where it is physically received in the following month. This paragraph shall apply in like manner to milk received by the operator of a pool plant who, in accordance with §1138.9(c), is the handler for such milk.
- (b) Received by a handler described in §1138.9(c).
- (c) Diverted from a pool plant for the account of the handler operating such plant to another pool plant, without limit in any month. Such milk shall be

priced at the location of the plant to which diverted.

(d) Diverted by the operator of a pool plant or by a cooperative association from a pool plant to a nonpool plant (other than a producer-handler plant), subject to the following conditions:

- (1) In each of the months of September through January, milk of a producer shall not be eligible for diversion from a pool plant under this section unless at least one day's production from such producer is physically received at a pool plant during the month;
- (2) The total quantity of milk diverted by a cooperative association in any month shall not exceed the total quantity of producer milk that the coperative association caused to be delivered to and was physically received at pool plants during the month;
- (3) The operator of a pool plant other than a cooperative association may divert any milk that is not under the control of a cooperative association that is diverting milk during the month pursuant to paragraph (d)(2) of this section. The total quantity of milk so diverted in any month shall not exceed the total quantity of milk that was physically received at pool plant(s) as producer milk for which the plant operator is the handler;
- (4) Any milk diverted in excess of the limits prescribed in paragraphs (d) (2) and (3) of this section shall not be producer milk. In such event, the diverting handler may designate the dairy farmer deliveries that shall not be producer milk. If the handler fails to so designate, milk diverted on the last day of the month, then the second-to-last-day of the month, and so on, shall be excluded until all diversions in excess of the prescribed limits are accounted for;
- (5) The quantity of milk diverted from a pool plant that would cause the pool plant to become a nonpool plant shall not be producer milk. Diversions in excess of the prescribed limit shall be prorated among the diverting handlers;
- (6) If a dairy farmer loses producer status under this order (except as a result of temporary loss of approval from a duly constituted regulatory agency for the production of milk for fluid

consumption), such dairy farmer's milk shall not be eligible for diversion until it has been physically received as producer milk at a pool plant; and

(7) Diverted milk shall be priced at the location of the plant to which diverted

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§1138.14 Other source milk.

Other source milk means all skim milk and butterfat contained in or represented by:

- (a) Receipts of fluid milk products and bulk products specified in §1138.40(b)(1) from any source other than producers, handlers described in §1138.9(c), or pool plants;
- (b) Receipts in packaged form from other plants of products specified in §1138.40(b)(1):
- (c) Products (other than fluid milk products, products specified in §1138.40(b)(1), and products produced at the plant during the same month) from any source which are reprocessed, converted into, or combined with another product in the plant during the month; and
- (d) Receipts of any milk product (other than a fluid milk product or a product specified in §1138.40(b)(1) for which the handler fails to establish a disposition.

§1138.15 Fluid milk product.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section *fluid milk product* means any milk products in fluid or frozen form containing less than 9 percent butterfat, that are in bulk or are packaged, distributed and intended to be used as beverages. Such products include, but are not limited to: Milk, skim milk, lowfat milk, milk drinks, buttermilk, and filled milk, including any such beverage products that are flavored, cultured, modified with added nonfat milk solids, sterilized, concentrated (to not more than 50 percent total milk solids), or reconstituted.
- (b) The term *fluid milk product* shall not include:
- (1) Plain or sweetened evaporated milk, plain or sweetened evaporated skim milk, sweetened condensed milk

or skim milk, formulas especially prepared for infant feeding or dietary use that are packaged in hermetically sealed containers, any product that contains by weight less than 6.5 percent nonfat milk solids, and whey; and

(2) The quantity of skim milk in any modified product specified in paragraph (a) of this section that is in excess of the quantity of skim milk in an equal volume of an unmodified product of the same nature and butterfat content.

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§1138.16 Fluid cream product.

Fluid cream product means cream (other than plastic cream or frozen cream), including sterilized cream, or a mixture of cream and milk or skim milk containing 9 percent or more butterfat, with or without the addition of other ingredients.

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§1138.17 Filled milk.

Filled milk means any combination of nonmilk fat (or oil) with skim milk (whether fresh, cultured, reconstituted, or modified by the addition of nonfat milk solids), with or without milkfat, so that the product (including stabilizers, emulsifiers, or flavoring) resembles milk or any other fluid milk product, and contains less than 6 percent nonmilk fat (or oil).

§1138.18 Cooperative association.

Cooperative association means any cooperative marketing association of producers which the Secretary determines after application by the association: (a) To be qualified under the provisions of the Act of Congress of February 18, 1922, as amended, known as the Capper-Volstead Act;

- (b) To have full authority in the sale of milk of its members; and
- (c) To be engaged in making collective sales or marketing or milk products for its members.

§§ 1138.19—1138.20 [Reserved]

§1138.21 Commercial food processing establishment.

Commercial food processing establishment means any facility other than a